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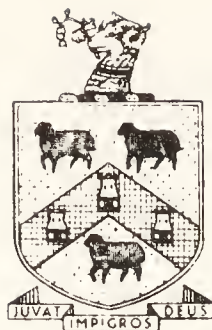
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Peter Wintersgill, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.

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(Temporary) (Commenced 21.7.69)

V.P. Malhotra, M.B., B.S., D.P.H.

(Resigned 28.12.69)

**Consultants**

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|---------------------------------|--|
| * Ophthalmologist               | Y.G.M. Bham, M.B., B.S., D.O.,<br>D.O.M.S. (Commenced 18.12.69)<br>W.M.C. Gilmour, M.B., Ch.B.,<br>D.O.M.S. (Deceased 8.12.69) |
| * Orthopaedic Surgeon           | J.H. Annan, M.B., Ch.B., F.R.C.S.  |
| * Psychiatrist                  | I. Turngel, M.D.   |
| * Consultant in<br>Subnormality | M.B. Guckian, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O.  |
| * Anaesthetist                  | C.S. Ward, M.B., D.S., S.S.A.R.C.Z.,<br>D.A.   |
| Orthodontist                    | R. Sclare, L.D.S., D.Orth. R.C.S.Eng.<br>(Commenced 15.1.69)   |

- \* Denotes part-time appointment by arrangement with Leeds Regional Hospital Board.



**School Dental Service**  
**Principal School Dental Officer**  
 John A.E. Morris, B.Ch.D., L.D.S.

Part-time Dental Officers	5	Dental Technician	1
Dental Auxiliary	1	Clerks/Dental attendants	5

**Child Guidance Service**

Psychiatric Social Worker	Mrs. A. Dannah, C.M.I.L.M., Dip.S.O.P.S., P.S.W.Cert.
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Senior Educational Psychologist	F.D. Loxley, B.A.
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Assistant Educational Psychologist	R.G. Hedderley, B.Sc.
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**Speech and Hearing Centre**

Senior Speech Therapist and Audiologist	T.R. Francis, L.C.S.T., Dip. Audiology
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Audiology Assistant	(part-time)	1
Speech Therapists	(full-time)	2
	(part-time)	1

**Physiotherapy Service**

Superintendent Physiotherapist	Mrs. W.G. Ritchie, M.S.C.P., O.N.C.
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Physiotherapists	(part-time)	3
Physiotherapy Assistants	(part-time)	2

**School Chiropody Service**

Chief Chiropodist	Regionald M. Naylor, M.Ch.S., S.R.Ch.
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**Health Visitors/School Nurses**

Superintendent Health Visitor/ School Nurse	Miss M.E. Porritt, S.R.N., S.C.H., H.V.Cert.
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Health Visitors/School Nurses	15	Temporary Clinic Nurses:	
Tuberculosis Visitor	1	Full-time	2
Part-time Health Visitors	4	Part-time	5

**Records Office**

Senior Clerk	Mrs. M.S. Armitage
Clerks	4

SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICE,

CIVIC CENTRE,

HUDDERSFIELD.

To the Chairman and Members of  
THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report of the School Health Service for the year ended 31st December, 1969. The Statistical Tables in the Report have been prepared in the form approved by the Department of Education and Science.

A shortage of both medical and dental staff during the year has been marked. The Dental Service has, of course, been in this position for a number of years.

It became evident during the year that it would be impossible to carry out all the routine medicals and, therefore, the programme was re-arranged so that the school-leavers were examined first in the first term of the scholastic year. new entrants to school were to follow and, if possible, it was hoped that finally the 10 year old medicals would be carried out. The Committee will note that there has been a marked fall in the total number of medical examinations carried out.

It is with regret that I report the death of Dr. W.M.C. Gilmour who has served this Authority through the Regional Hospital Board, for 19 years.

The arrival of Dr. Y.G.M. Bham brought relief to a situation which has become extremely critical. The waiting list for the Eye Clinic had risen to the alarming level of 923 children.

I am pleased to report that Dr. M.B. Guckian, Consultant in Subnormality, started sessions in the Civic Centre during January and is available once a fortnight for consultation and although her services have not, as yet, been greatly used by the School Health Service, her help and advice has been much appreciated.

The Committee agreed that Miss R. Sclare be appointed as a part-time orthodontist, and she took up her duties in January.

Once again I must report that the policy of the Council to add fluoride to the water supplies has not yet materialized but it is hoped that this policy will be carried into fact in 1970.

I would draw the Committee's attention to the fact that for the first time headmasters and headmistresses of special schools and special units have been invited to contribute to the Annual School Health Service Report. My thanks go to them for their co-operation in this matter.

With the improvement in the establishment of the Chiropody Service it has been possible to refer some of the more difficult cases from the school clinic to the Chiropody Service.

Tuberculosis, which had caused us so much anxiety in recent years, still remains a problem. I am pleased to report that 90% of secondary school children offered BCG vaccination accepted. Six schools were screened during the year as a consequence of a case occurring there and, fortunately, only one child was found to have active tuberculosis.

The Deputy Chief Education Officer, Mr. G.H. Grattan-Guinness, retired after 24 years service with the Education Authority. He will be sadly missed by the School Health Service and our very best wishes go with him for a long and happy retirement.

Finally, I would like to thank both the Education Committee and the Education Department for their support and help during 1969.

Yours faithfully,

J.S.W. Brierley,

Principal School Medical Officer



## COUNTY BOROUGH OF HUDDERSFIELD

## MEDICAL INSPECTION OF SCHOOL CHILDREN

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SCHOOLS IN THE AREA			NUMBER OF PUPILS
Primary	...	38	12,910
Secondary Modern	...	9	6,412
Secondary Grammar	...	5	3,161
Special (E.S.N.)	...	2	201

MEDICAL INSPECTION AND TREATMENT RETURNS  
Year ended 31st December, 1969

## PART 1

MEDICAL INSPECTION OF PUPILS ATTENDING  
MAINTAINED PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS  
(including nursery and special schools)

TABLE A - Periodic Medical Inspections

Age Groups inspected (By year of Birth)	No. of Pupils who have received a full medical examination	Physical Condition of Pupils Inspected		No. of Pupils found not to warrant a medical examination (See Note 1 above)	Pupils found to require treatment (excluding dental diseases and infestation with Vermin)		
		Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory		For defective vision (excluding Squint)	For any other condition recorded at Part 11	Total Individual Pupils
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
1965 and later	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1964	124	124	.	-	2	24	25
1963	1,592	1,592	.	-	71	183	236
1962	194	194	-	-	10	26	34
1961	84	84	-	-	10	8	17
1960	98	97	1	-	7	9	16
1959	86	84	2	-	8	7	14
1958	101	99	2	-	13	7	19
1957	67	67	-	-	9	8	17
1956	898	898	-	-	167	87	236
1955	266	266	-	-	39	31	68
1954 and earlier	88	88	-	-	16	9	25
TOTAL	3,598	3,593	5	-	352	399	707

Column (3) total as a percentage of Column (2) total ... 99.86%

Column (4) total as a percentage of Column (2) total ... 0.14%

TABLE B - Other Inspections

Number of Special Inspections	...	...	...	...	...	4,527
Number of Re-inspections	...	...	...	...	...	5,542
Total	...	...	...	...	...	10,069

TABLE C - Infestation with Vermin

(a)	Total number of individual examinations of pupils in school by school nurses or other authorised persons	34,590
(b)	Total number of pupils found to be infested	1,631 (4.72%)
(c)	Number of individual pupils in respect of whom cleansing notices were issued (Section 54 (2) Education Act, 1944)	Nil
(d)	Number of individual pupils in respect of whom cleansing orders were issued (Section 54 (3) Education Act, 1944)	Nil

## PART II

Return of Defects found by Medical Inspection in the  
Year ended 31st December, 1969

## PERIODIC INSPECTIONS

Defect Code No. (1)	Defect or Disease (2)	PERIODIC INSPECTIONS				Special Inspections	
		Entrants	Leavers	Others	Total		
4	Skin . . . . .	T	21	53	14	88	10
		O	36	25	11	72	14
5	Eyes -- a. Vision . . .	T	83	207	62	352	100
		O	47	106	30	183	50
	b. Squint . . .	T	21	2	8	31	6
		O	7	2	1	10	6
	c. Other . . .	T	2	--	1	3	--
		O	3	4	2	9	4
6	Ears -- a. Hearing . . .	T	5	5	--	10	8
		O	66	19	15	100	49
	b. Otitis Media	T	7	6	1	14	1
		O	11	2	3	16	3
	c. Other . . .	T	30	3	2	35	--
		O	1	4	--	5	5

Defect Code No. (1)	Defect or Disease (2)	PERIODIC INSPECTIONS				Special Inspec- tions
		Entr- ants	Leavers	Others	Total	
7	Nose and Throat ... T	17	4	1	22	6
		53	31	18	102	8
8	Speech ..... T	17	3	1	21	4
		12	4	6	22	4
9	Lymphatic Glands ... T	-	-	-	-	-
		28	14	9	51	-
10	Heart ... T	5	-	1	6	2
		26	12	5	43	24
11	Lungs ... T	5	2	4	11	2
		18	13	4	35	22
12	Developmental - a. Hernia T	7	1	-	8	4
		9	2	7	18	7
	b. Other T	10	4	13	27	34
		46	23	18	87	34
13	Orthopaedic - a. Posture T	5	4	3	12	2
		4	3	2	9	-
	b. Feet T	38	25	8	71	18
		12	10	2	24	8
	c. Other T	9	4	3	16	5
		5	11	3	19	2
14	Nervous System - a. Epilepsy ... T	2	-	-	2	1
		2	-	2	4	1
	b. Other ... T	1	-	1	2	1
		7	1	1	9	3
15	Psychological - a. Development ... T	-	-	-	-	3
		40	89	119	248	20
	b. Stability ... T	1	1	-	2	1
		8	14	3	25	5
16	Abdomen ... T	1	1	-	2	-
		4	1	4	9	2
17	Other ... T	3	9	4	16	13
		19	4	3	26	17



## PART III

## Treatment of Pupils attending Maintained Primary and Secondary Schools (including Nursery and Special Schools)

TABLE A - Eye Diseases, Defective Vision and Squint

	Number of cases known to have been dealt with
External and other, excluding errors of refraction and squint . . . . .	28
Errors of refraction (including squint) . . . . .	823
TOTAL	851
Number of pupils for whom spectacles were prescribed	312

TABLE B - Diseases and Defects of Ear, Nose and Throat

	Number of cases known to have been dealt with
Received operative treatment:-	
(a) for diseases of the ear	-
(b) for adenoids and chronic tonsillitis . . . . .	251
(c) for other nose and throat conditions . . . . .	302
Received other forms of treatment	-
TOTAL	553
Total number of pupils still on the register of schools at 31st December, 1969, known to have been provided with hearing aids:-	
(a) during the calendar year 1969,	4
(b) in previous years	22

TABLE C - Orthodaedic and Postural Defects

	Number of cases known to have been treated
(a) Pupils treated at clinics or out-patients departments	704
(b) Pupils treated at school for postural defects . . . . .	72
TOTAL	776

TABLE D - Diseases of the Skin  
(excluding uncleanness, for which see Table C of Part 1)

	Number of pupils known to have been treated
Ringworm - (a) Scalp . . . . .	1
(b) Body . . . . .	4
Scabies . . . . .	50
Impetigo . . . . .	52
Other skin diseases . . . . .	1,034
TOTAL	1,140

TABLE E - Child Guidance Treatment

	Number of cases known to have been treated
Pupils treated at Child Guidance Clinics . . . . .	116

TABLE F - Speech Therapy

	Number of cases known to have been treated
Pupils treated by speech therapists	212

TABLE G - Other Treatment Given

	Number of cases known to have been treated
(a) Pupils with minor ailments	4,218
(b) Pupils who received convalescent treatment under School Health Service arrangements . . . . .	1
(c) Pupils who received B. C. G. vaccination . . . . .	1,077
(d) Other than (a), (b) and (c) above:	
Cervical Adenitis . . . . .	-
Lungs . . . . .	-
Nervous other . . . . .	-
TOTAL (a) - (d)	5,296



## PART IV

## DENTAL INSPECTION AND TREATMENT CARRIED OUT BY THE AUTHORITY

No. of pupils on the Registers of Maintained Primary and Secondary Schools (including Nursery and Special Schools) in January, 1970, as in Forms 7, 7M, 8b and 11 . . . . . 22,796

## ATTENDANCES &amp; TREATMENT

	Ages 5 to 9		Ages 10 to 14		Ages 15 and over		TOTAL
First Visit . . . . .	1	1439	12	1849	23	247	2735
Subsequent Visits . . . . .	2	1595	13	2409	24	755	4759
Total Visits . . . . .		3034		3458		1002	7494
Additional Courses of treatment commenced	3	97	14	76	25	129	202
Fillings in permanent teeth . . . . .	4	1865	15	2993	26	899	5757
Fillings in deciduous teeth . . . . .	5	1304	16	27			1331
Permanent teeth filled	6	1123	17	2224	27	741	4088
Deciduous teeth filled	7	944	18	24			968
Permanent teeth extracted	8	311	19	795	28	237	1343
Deciduous teeth extracted	9	2284	20	589			2873
General anaesthetics	10	785	21	379	29	47	1211
Emergencies . . . . .	11	350	22	204	30	56	610

Number of Pupils X-rayed . . .  
 Prophylaxis . . . . .  
 Teeth otherwise conserved . . .  
 Number of teeth root filled  
 Inlays . . . . .  
 Crowns . . . . .  
 Courses of treatment completed

31	267
32	186
33	81
34	27
35	6
36	34
37	2298

## ORTHODONTICS

Cases remaining from previous year  
 New cases commenced during year . .  
 Cases completed during year . . .  
 Cases discontinued during year . . .  
 No. of removable appliances fitted  
 No. of fixed appliances fitted . . .  
 Pupils referred to Hospital Consultant

	27
38	66
39	37
40	4
41	239
42	17
43	--

PROSTHETICS

	5 to 9		10 to 14		15 and bver		Total
Pupils supplied with F.U. or F.L. (first time) . . . . .	44	--	47	--	50	--	--
Pupils supplied with other dentures (first time) . . . . .	45	2	48	12	51	5	19
Number of dentures supplied . . . . .	46	3	49	9	52	5	17

ANAESTHETICS

General Anaesthetics administered by Dental Officers	53	77
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INSPECTIONS

(a) First inspection at school. Number of Pupils	A	3084
(b) First inspection at clinic. Number of Pupils	B	2585
Number of (a) (b) found to require treatment	C	3173
Number of (a) (b) offered treatment . . .	D	3170
(c) Pupils re-inspected at school or clinic	E	264
Number of (c) found to require treatment	F	153

SESSIONS

Sessions devoted to treatment	X	1154
Sessions devoted to inspection	Y	31
Sessions devoted to Dental Health Education . . . . .	Z	6

## SCHOOL DENTAL SERVICE

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Dental decay occupies a unique position among the ailments and diseases which affect school children. Once dental caries has started it never heals naturally and if not treated, progressively leads to the destruction and subsequent loss of the tooth. About 98% of school leavers have suffered the disease and they have, on average, nine teeth which are either decaying, have been filled or have been extracted. One tenth of these children have fifteen or more teeth which have suffered an attack of dental decay. We are dealing with a condition which affects virtually every child and which means that the school leavers in Huddersfield alone, in one year, will have between them a total of about 20,000 teeth which have undergone decay during their school life.

There is a shortage of dentists in the country as a whole, there being one dentist to every 3,900 of the population about 17% of dentists work in the school dental service. If we could double the number of dentists in this country we should still fall behind many European countries and America in our dentist to population ratio. We do however have two solutions which made a positive contribution to the problem, fluoridation and dental auxiliaries.

It is regrettable that, despite the positive fluoridation policy of the Corporation, yet another year has passed without the adjustment to one part per million of the level of the fluoride in the water supply of Huddersfield. This delay of another year has meant that a further 2,400 children (the annual birth rate) will suffer twice as much dental decay than is necessary.

Fluoride halves the incidence of dental decay when present at the optimal level of one part per million in the water supply, but for the maximum effect it must be present when the crowns of the teeth are being formed, which in the case of all the deciduous teeth and some of the adult teeth is before birth. By the time the child enters school, the formation of most of the adult dentition is well under way. To suggest that school milk is a suitable vehicle for fluoride is to ignore the fact that this would be far too late to gain maximum benefit. The safety of fluoridation as a public health measure has been proven beyond doubt and there are now nearly 111 million people drinking fluoridated water. Over twenty years of thorough and intensive research have consistently demonstrated the safety of fluoridation as a preventive measure.

During the year a new recognised type of ancillary dental worker was created, the dental auxiliary. Dental auxiliaries have worked on an experimental basis for some years during which time they have been a complete success. The length of the training period is two years, by which time they become extremely proficient in providing the simpler type of dental procedure and dental health education.



Diagnosis and treatment planning are beyond their scope. The dentist has more time to concentrate on the more advanced types of restoration and particularly, in the school dental service, on orthodontics.

It is to be hoped that careers masters will add dental auxiliaries to their list of recommendations, and that they will acquaint themselves with the opportunities and the high personal status which these girls enjoy.

The statistical returns show that we have inspected 3,084 children in school, and that another 2,585 children have sought treatment at the Civic Centre. The department treated 2,735 school children during the year, and provided 7,088 fillings and 4,216 extractions.

Despite considerable efforts we have been unable to recruit any new full time staff, but the part time staffing position improved, and for much of the year they worked twelve sessions per week. It is impossible with present staffing to operate a half yearly recall system but all patients are invited to return every six months for an inspection, and it is a source of constant amazement and pleasure that so many children do in fact return for their "six monthly check-up".

My thanks are due to the Chief Education Officer and the Principal School Medical Officer for their help and encouragement during the year, and to my own staff for their loyal and consistent hard work.

J A E. MORRIS.

Principal School Dental Officer



## ARRANGEMENTS FOR TREATMENT

Treatment was carried out at the following  
School Health Service Clinics:-

## OPHTHALMIC CLINIC - CIVIC CENTRE

Number of Clinics held . . . . . 56  
(plus 7 at Huddersfield Royal Infirmary)

	New Cases	No. of these referred from S M I.	Return Cases	Total Atten- dances
Total . . . . .	275	208	573	851
Average Attendance per Clinic . . .	4.37	3.30	9.10	13.52

80.14% of total attendances were for defective vision

165 children were seen at Huddersfield Royal Infirmary due to non-availability of an ophthalmologist from 23rd May until 18th December, 1969

## ULTRA-VIOLET LIGHT CLINIC - CIVIC CENTRE

Number of Clinics held . . . . . 79

	New Cases	Referred from S.M.I.	Referred from own doctor	Total Atten- dances
Total . . . . .	16	4	1	326
Average Attendance per Clinic . . .	0.20	0.05	0.01	4.13

## PHYSIOTHERAPY CLINIC - CIVIC CENTRE

Number of Clinics held . . . . . 876

	On treatment at 1.1.69	New Cases	Referred from			Discontinued during year	Total Attendances
			Orthopaedic Clinic	R M. I	Other		
Total . . . . .	319	839	144	245	450	798	10,567
Average Attendance per Clinic		0 96	0.16	0.28	0.51	0 91	12.06

## CHIROPODY SERVICE

It has been possible this year to start giving treatment to school children. A total of 27 children have attended and 50 treatments have been given. Now a start has been made, it is anticipated that these figures will increase during 1970.

### PHYSIOTHERAPY SERVICE

In January, swimming sessions were started at the new Fartown Secondary Modern School pool for children suffering from spina bifida and other physical handicaps; their ages ranged from three years upwards. Unfortunately, the smaller children were overwhelmed by the size of the pool so their swimming session was transferred to the Milnsbridge Primary School bath. Although the superior changing facilities available at Fartown are greatly missed, these small children are much more confident in the reduced area of water.

The older children, who already have a degree of confidence in the water, continue to attend Fartown swimming bath where invaluable assistance is given by older pupils of Fartown school to those requiring individual attention in the pool. This session is much appreciated by the pupils of Holly Bank Special School.

The work with the spina bifida children increases, there now being 21 receiving Physiotherapy treatment at school and at the Civic Centre.

There is a general improvement in the shape of children's feet, possibly reflecting the better shape and stable heels of the present fashion footwear and the popularity of the wooden continental sandal which requires active work of the small intrinsic muscles of the feet.

W. G Ritchie

Superintendent Physiotherapist

## ORTHOPAEDIC SERVICE

Number of Clinics held . . . . . 43

	New Cases	No. of these referred from S.M.I.	Total Attendances
Total . . . . .	129	19	704
Average Attendance per Clinic . . .	3.00	0.44	16.37

Number of children recommended in-patient treatment 21  
 Out-patient treatment (massage and exercises) . . . NIL  
 Number of children referred for X-ray . . . . . 51  
 Number of children recommended new appliances or  
 alterations to old appliances . . . . . 7  
 Number of children recommended other treatment . . . 5

The Orthopaedic and Physiotherapy Clinics have continued to fulfil the need to supervise and assist in the long-term control of children with locomotory disabilities. They have also enabled minor postural problems to be attended to expeditiously and helped to emphasise the importance of early diagnosis of the congenital abnormalities.

The increasing numbers of paraplegic children reaching school age will challenge the service in the coming years, and we hope to play our full part in making these unfortunate children acceptable to society.

J. H. Annan

Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon



## SCHOOL CLINIC - CIVIC CENTRE

Number of Clinics held 253

	New Cases	No of these referred from S.M I.	Total Attendances	Referred elsewhere for treatment
Total	1872	39	5543	201
Average Attendance per Clinic	7.40	0.15	21.91	0.79

## SALENDINE NOOK CLINIC - SALENDINE NOOK CAMPUS

Number of Clinics held 190

	New Cases	Total Attendances	Referred elsewhere for treatment
Total	1721	3095	66
Average Attendance per Clinic	9.01	16.20	0.35

## GREENHEAD HIGH SCHOOL CLINIC - GREENHEAD HIGH SCHOOL

Number of Clinics held 110

	New Cases	Total Attendances	Referred elsewhere for treatment
Total	625	1122	26
Average Attendance per Clinic	5.68	10.20	0.24

## IMMUNISATION CLINIC

Immunisation clinics were held during the year. The following figures show the number of children dealt with.

Number of children immunised against:-

	Primary	Secondary
Diphtheria	1	28
Diphtheria and tetanus combined	190	1,257
Triple	5	106
Tetanus	9	488
Measles (one injection only)	424	

B. C. G. VACCINATION  
SECONDARY SCHOOL ROUTINE

No. of letters sent	1845	No. of schools	15
No. of acceptances	1649	No. of clinics	45
Average acceptance	89.38%		

No. of children for skin-test	1571
No. of children positive reactors	185
No. of children negative reactors	1346
No. of children vaccinated	1077

## ACTIVE TUBERCULOSIS IN SCHOOLS

No. of letters sent	1839	No. of schools	6
No. of acceptances	1394	No. of clinics	26
Average acceptance	75.80%		

No. of children for skin-test	1380
No. of children positive reactors	353
No. of children negative reactors	1010
No. of children found to have active T.B. as a result of X-ray following positive reaction	1



### MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS

222 medical examinations for the purpose of completing Forms 14TT(Med), 4 R.T.C. and 28 R.Q. were carried out during the year by the School Medical Officers. In addition, 111 students from Oastler College of Education were examined upon completion of their three-year course.

198 employees of the School Meals Service were examined in the course of the year, of whom two were found to be unfit for employment.

### PSYCHIATRIC EXAMINATIONS

Dr. Guckian, Consultant in Psychiatry specializing in Subnormality, now has certain children referred to her. During this year, she has seen seven of these children.

### SPRING GROVE ANNEXE CLAREMONT HOUSE ANNEXE

392 children were medically examined at the Reception Centre, housed until mid-October at Spring Grove Annexe, from mid-October onwards at Claremont House Annexe.

### INFECTIOUS DISEASES (notifiable) FROM HEALTH REPORT (children 5 years old to 15 years old)

	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969
Scarlet Fever . . . . .	103	49	50	23	34
Measles . . . . .	175	629	294	229	36
Whooping Cough . . . . .	24	42	22	28	9
Dysentery . . . . .	50	42	33	52	51
Pneumonia . . . . .	3	1	2	1	-
Tuberculosis:-					
Pulmonary . . . . .	1	1	19	17	14
Non-pulmonary . . . . .	2	2	-	1	1
Acute Poliomyelitis . . . . .	-	-	-	-	-
Typhoid . . . . .	1	1	-	-	-
Para-typhoid . . . . .	-	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning . . . . .	1	8	2	1	2
Encephalitis . . . . .	-	-	9	-	-
Meningococcal Infection . . . . .	-	-	-	1	1
Malaria . . . . .	-	-	1	-	-
Infective Jaundice . . . . .	-	-	-	2	4

## HANDICAPPED PUPILS

DEFECT	SPECIAL SCHOOLS	Pupils ascertained during 1969	Total No. now known in Borough 31.12.69	Number at special schools 31.12.69
BLIND .....		..	3	3
	Sheffield School	1		
	Worcester College	1		
	Henshaw School	1		
PARTIALLY SIGHTED: .....		1	12	11
	Temple Bank	9		
	Henshaw School	1		
	St. Vincent's	1		
DEAF: .....		1	6	6
	Odsal House	5		
	Bridge House	1		
PARTIALLY DEAF: .....		1	18	18
	Odsal House	5		
	Lowerhouses Unit	12		
	Bridge House	1		
DELICATE .....		8	12	11
	Ventnor	5		
	Corley	1		
	West Kirby	4		
	St. Leonard's	1		
EDUCATIONALLY SUBNORMAL: .....		30	211	205
	Longley	174		
	Ashwood	26		
	Crowthorn	1		
	Besford Court	3		
	Eden Grove	1		

## HANDICAPPED PUPILS

DEFECTS	SPECIAL SCHOOLS	Pupils ascer- tained during 1969	Total No. now known in Borough 31.12.69	Number at Special Schools 31.12.69
EPILEPTIC .....		1	3	2
Colthurst House	2			
MALADJUSTED .....		6	18	15
Fyling Hall, Robin Hood's Bay	1			
Wm. Henry Smith	1			
Fulneck, Pudsey	3			
Burnt Norton	1			
Stockwell House	1			
Ackworth	1			
Wychcrest	3			
St Peter's	1			
Pitt House	2			
Ashwood	1			
PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED: .....		4	27	24
Holly Bank	12			
Rawthorpe Unit	7			
Wightwick	1			
Irton Hall	1			
West Kirby	1			
Welburn Hall	1			
Ian Tetley Home	1			
SPEECH DEFECTIVE: .....		1	3	3
Lowerhouses Unit	3			
TOTAL		53	313	298



**LOWERHOUSES C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL****Speech Handicapped Children**

The first six speech handicapped children came to this school in April, 1968. They were placed in ordinary classes according to age, and three times a week received intensive speech therapy within the school from a visiting speech therapist.

During 1969 this pattern of work was repeated except for a period of approximately one term when there was no speech therapist available. Three children were discharged during the year and one more admitted.

Shortage of staff during the year made it impossible to give these children all the attention they should have had.

**Partially Hearing Unit**

A nucleus of six partially hearing children came to this school in January, 1968. By September the unit numbered twelve and two classes were formed, one catering for infant the other for junior children.

During 1969 overall numbers and organisation remained the same - each of the classes being the responsibility of a qualified teacher of the deaf. Three children left the unit during the year and the first pre-school age child was admitted, initially on a part-time basis. Also admitted was the first child from the West Riding Authority.

Some home teaching has been undertaken by both unit teachers and parents have been encouraged to visit the school.

There has been complete social integration, i.e. for play, dinners, assemblies and school events. The junior children have been integrated into normal classes for P.E. and games, craft and music. For the infants integration has been mainly for P.E. and free activities.

The unit staff and children are very much part of Lowerhouses School.

J.F. Hodson

Headmaster

### LONGLEY SPECIAL SCHOOL

Special school catering for E S.N. boys and girls, with an age range of 7+ to 16+ years.

The school has places for 220 pupils and entry to the school is via the Authority's Medical and Psychological Services.

Children are medically examined annually and a regular system of inspection by the Health Visitors is well established.

The school is visited weekly by the physiotherapy team and the speech therapist, who give treatment to children where it is needed.

Children who have matured educationally, socially and emotionally are re-assessed regularly by the Medical Officer and returned to ordinary education. During the year 1969 fifteen children were so returned.

S. A. Mitchell

Headmaster

**ASHWOOD SCHOOL**

Ashwood is a day diagnostic and assessment centre for a maximum roll of 30 primary age handicapped children, all of whom on admission are functioning at a severely retarded level. Due to early ascertainment the majority of children admitted are aged 5 - 6 years and the average length of stay is from 1½ to 2 years.

The school building is a spacious converted house. The two admission classes have both a teacher and assistant in each. The third class comprises those children needing a further period of observation. The school day is similar to that of a nursery or infant school, stimulating social, emotional and intellectual development. However directed activities and individual structured schemes of work are introduced, particularly to develop language and motor skills. Close liaison is kept with the School Medical Officer, Education Welfare Department, Educational Psychologists, Child Guidance and Speech and Hearing Clinic, and with the children's parents. A nurse, a physiotherapist and a speech therapist visit the school weekly. Most of the children transfer either to the local E.S.N. school or to the Junior Training Centre. Others are placed in special schools dealing with their major handicap. This year two children have gone to special classes in ordinary schools. Whatever eventual placement is decided, Ashwood provides an essential second chance for the retarded handicapped child.

M. W. Goulder,  
Headmistress.



RAWTHORPE COUNTY JUNIOR SCHOOL  
SPINA BIFIDA

In the school year 1968-69 there were two walking cases. These had attention twice daily from a nurse who visited from Rawthorpe C.E. Infants School. Apart from this, the school life of the two children was quite normal.

A different situation was presented in September, 1969, when three wheel chair cases were admitted - transfers from the Infants School. It was then necessary to have a nurse on the premises all the time. Two were appointed, both on a half time basis, so that if one was absent the other could substitute.

An existing member of the School's teaching staff was made specially responsible for the welfare and education of the spina bifida pupils. This has worked well. The teacher has an intimate knowledge of the children and there is close liaison between teacher, nurses and parents.

At each end of a corridor/cloakroom space, areas were part partitioned off to provide two large cubicles. One is used for the pupils' medical and toilet needs, while the other is for physiotherapy treatment.

Early in the school year it was found that transport of the spina bifida cases by taxi was giving problems. A small bus was, therefore, obtained and this was fitted with a device for lifting wheel chairs from ground to floor level so that children could remain in their chairs in the bus. The vehicle is also used to convey the pupils to Milnsbridge County Primary School, where they have a weekly swimming lesson.

J E. Calderbank  
Headmaster

RAWTHORPE C.E. INFANTS' SCHOOL  
SPINA BIFIDA

Rawthorpe C.E. Infants' School provides accommodation for children affected by spina bifida and/or hydrocephalus to such an extent that they cannot go to their own neighbourhood school, because they need special physical care.

Such children can be admitted full-time when they are four years old - this is to compensate for time spent in hospital, and to widen their social and play experiences. In some circumstances, and at the discretion of the Headteacher, they may be admitted part-time from the age of three.

The necessary physical care is given by qualified nursing staff and an auxiliary helper, who work closely with the teaching staff, so that the childrens' class time is affected as little as possible. Twice a week they are given treatment by a trained physiotherapist, and once a week they go to the swimming bath.

All the handicapped children are accepted by the other children in school, not only by those in their own class, and take part in all school activities.

M. Howarth,  
Headmistress

HANDICAPPED PUPILS

During 1969, 104 children were referred for special examination by the School Medical Officer in order to ascertain whether they were educationally subnormal or had a more severe handicap.

The results of such examinations were as follows:-

Educationally Subnormal:-

requiring education in a special school	27
to continue special school education	30
de-classified, allowed to leave school	2
de-classified, admission or return to ordinary school	15

Other Results:-

for remedial teaching	5
suitable for admission to ordinary school	2
for informal admission to special school for period of assessment	5
classified maladjusted	3

Mental Subnormality:-

Notified to Mental Health Sub-Committee under Second Schedule Section 11 of the Mental Health Act, 1959.

Severely subnormal	13
Voluntary supervision	2

REPORT ON SCHOOL MEALS SERVICE

Total number of meals served during 1969	3,347,356
Average number of meals per day	17,344
Approximate number of children taking school meals	15,717
Approximate number of children taking school milk	10,853
Average number of children on role	22,493
Average % children taking school meals	65.9%
Average % children taking school milk	48.3%



## REPORT OF THE PSYCHIATRIST ON THE CHILD GUIDANCE SERVICE

As in the preceding years the Clinic functioned smoothly in spite of an interim of secretarial changes during the first four months of the year. Mrs. Riding had to give up her work unexpectedly in the middle of January, because of illness during her pregnancy, and, until Miss Judith Turner was appointed as full-time Secretary in the middle of May, the office work was supported by the kind services of Mrs. Long and Miss Brook.

Diagnostic and therapeutic work was carried out as usual. It benefitted from the regular case conferences which were attended, as a rule, by the whole team, including the Educational Social Worker, often in consultation with the Headmaster or School Counsellor, the Probation Officer or the Children's Officer of the child in question.

Preventive work in the form of lectures or informal talks to students of Teachers Training Centres, the College of Technology and of Probation Officers in training helped to spread the knowledge of emotional problems in childhood and their approach by the Child Guidance team. All members of the team participated as lecturers in the course for teachers on 'Socially Handicapped Children', organized by Mr. Loxley.

Mrs. Dannah, the Psychiatric Social Worker, accepted the request of the Social Science Department of Bradford University to supervise the practical training of one of their students during the period of an academic year. Students of Psychology visited Mr. Loxley at the Clinic from time to time. As in previous years a group of students from the Department of Education of Manchester University spent one afternoon session with the Psychiatrist.

One hundred and sixteen children received psychiatric treatment, and we are presenting, as usual, the following statistics. While the rate of improvement or cure is comparatively high - 65% to 70% - eight children required residential care because the prognosis for better adjustment in their present environment was unfavourable. Four boys could be placed in hostels, one boy and one girl in schools for maladjusted children, one boy benefitted from placement in a maladjusted E.S.N. school and one boy was admitted to a children's home in Sheffield. The overall number of children placed by the Huddersfield Education Authority, on request of the Clinic, is now thirteen.



I would like to stress once again the urgent recommendation for a local hostel for maladjusted children which would function in close co-operation with the Child Guidance Clinic. Such a hostel would not only keep down the number of children in need of special schools elsewhere, but might also prevent others from being committed to Approved Schools.

We have appreciated the co-operation of the Education Welfare Department in the selection of the special schools and hostels and placement of the children recommended by the Child Guidance team. We are also very grateful to the School Medical Officers, Speech Therapists, the Physiotherapist and the Youth Employment Officers for their understanding support, and we are glad that we can use the two Remedial Centres so profitably in cases where educational backwardness is an essential part of the child's Maladjustment.

Irene Turgel, M.D.  
Consultant Psychiatrist

## TREATMENT BY PSYCHIATRIST

ANALYSIS OF 116 CHILDREN (80 boys and 36 girls)  
TREATED BY PSYCHIATRIST IN 1969

	B/fwd. from 1968		Admitted in 1969		TOTALS
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	
A Classification According to Predominant Symptom: -					
1 DELINQUENCY (Lying, stealing housebreaking, truancy)	11	1	7	1	20
2. BEHAVIOUR DISORDERS (Aggressiveness, temper outbursts, violence, negativism, abnormal sex behaviour, vagrancy)	16	5	9	9	39
3. PSYCHOSOMATIC DISORDERS (functional pains, skin disorders, fainting attacks asthma enuresis, soiling, food idiosyncrasies)	6	3	1	4	14
4 NERVOUS OR NEUTROTIC MANIFESTATIONS (Anxiety states, school phobia, sleep disorders, stammer, depression, hysteria, obsessional symptoms, nervous tics)	6	4	3	3	16
5. PERSONALITY DISORDERS (inhibited, hyperactive, inadequate, schizoid, psychopathic personality)	9	3	4	2	18
6. PSYCHOTIC MANIFESTATIONS (Autism, schizophrenia)	-	-	-	-	-
7 EDUCATIONAL BACKWARDNESS and/or general immaturity	6	1	2	-	9
	54	17	26	19	116

**B Classification According to Aetiology:-****I. PRIMARILY IN THE CHILD****1 ORGANIC DEFECTS OR DISORDERS**

(Brain injury, epilepsy or general debility, post-encephalitic, post-meningeal psychotic conditions)

6 - 3 1 10

**2 INTELLECTUAL RETARDATION OR****GENERAL IMMATURITY**

2 2 1 3 8

**3 EMOTIONAL INSTABILITY OR****TEMPERAMENTAL ABNORMALITIES**

(ranging from hypersensitiveness and low frustration tolerance to schizoid characteristics)

15 4 4 6 29

**4 EMOTIONAL REACTIVE PROCESSES**

(Intrapsychic conflicts)

15 3 10 1 29

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TREATED BY PSYCHIATRIST IN 1969

	B/fwd. from 1968		Admitted in 1969		TOTALS
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	
II. PRIMARY IN THE ENVIRONMENT					
1. Inadequate environmental conditions . . . . .	3	-	4	2	9
2. Faulty family relationships . . .	10	5	3	6	24
3. Traumatic experiences . . . . .	3	3	1	-	7
	54	17	26	19	116

## C. Number of Cases Dealt With:-

Cases brought forward from 1968 . . . . .	71
Cases admitted in 1969 . . . . .	45
Cases closed in 1969 . . . . .	35
Cases carried forward into 1970:	
for treatment 47)	
for observation 34)	81

## D. Status on Closure:

Seen for diagnosis only (1 - 3 interviews) . . . . .	2
Improved after treatment . . . . .	14
Very much improved after treatment . . . . .	3
Only slightly improved . . . . .	-
Other reasons (transferred to other agencies, Approved Schools, moved to another district or started work) . . . . .	13
Closed as unco-operative . . . . .	3

## E. Distribution of Ages of 45 Children on Admission:-

Under 5 years . . . . .	1
Between 5 and 7 years . . . . .	7
Between 7 and 11 years . . . . .	14
Between 11 and 15 years . . . . .	19
Over 15 years . . . . .	4

## F. Distribution of intelligence of 116 Children seen in 1969:-

I. Q. 70 or below . . . . .	12	10.3%
I. Q. 71 - 85 . . . . .	23	19.8%
I. Q. 86 - 115 . . . . .	62	53.5%
I. Q. 116 - 130 . . . . .	15	12.9%
I. Q. 130 or over . . . . .	4	3.5%

## GENERAL ANNUAL STATISTICS, 1969

Cases brought forward from 1968	171
New cases referred 1969	123
Cases closed in 1969	94
Cases carried forward into 1970	200

Clinical treatment	47)	
On observation	34)	81
Cases on clinical waiting list	63)	
Parent Guidance	56)	119

## SOURCE OF REFERRAL OF NEW CASES: -

Principal School Medical Officer	26
Chief Education Officer	8
Parents	30
Schools	26
General Practitioners	19
Probation Officers	3
Juvenile Liaison Officer	
Children's Department	8
N.S.P.C.C. Inspector	3

## CASES CLOSED: -

After treatment	35
Parent guidance only	32
Referred to other agencies	9
Unco-operative	14
Left the district	4

## NUMBER OF INTERVIEWS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

	Educational Psychologist	Social Worker	Psychi- atrist
WITH CHILDREN	119	100	642
Appointments not kept	15	9	68
WITH PARENTS: -			
At home		252	
At Centre	57	622	102
Appointments not kept	3	120	8
Lectures and Consultations		267	42



## REPORT ON THE WORK OF THE HEARING AND SPEECH CENTRE

### SPEECH THERAPY

There has again been continuity of staffing, Mrs. Hall resigned in February and was replaced by Miss Leach in June. Miss Mack left the Authority in July, to take a Diploma in Education at Aberyswyth University, and was replaced by Miss Batty in September. Mrs. Jones, who had previously worked for this Authority as a full-time Speech Therapist, returned in July to work two sessions each week. Therefore there has been almost continuous staffing, this being a great advantage to the children. The waiting list is small, there is only a brief waiting period from a child being referred for Speech Therapy and attendance being commenced. There has now been continuity of staffing for 11 years.

Work also continues at the two Special Schools, one session a week at each school. The numbers at Ashwood Special School requiring speech therapy are much higher at present than can be seen in one session, those seen regularly by the Speech Therapist each week, hardly fills the need of these children. It is fortunate that the staff are extremely co-operative, and the children who are not seen regularly by the Speech Therapist receive language stimulation individually from the Headmistress, who is aware of their specific speech and language difficulties.

The Special Speech Unit at Lowerhouses Voluntary School has proved valuable to children needing intensive speech therapy, and there is good liaison between the Speech Therapist and Teachers.

Over the year it is interesting to note that 40% to 60% of the whole case load have been pre-school children, varying in age from 2 to 5 years. There is an increasing awareness that some children do not necessarily grow out of their language and speech disorders. A lot of the work is based on the principle of guidance to parents in assisting their children, rather than regular attendance at the Centre.

### AUDIOLOGY

The policy of hearing screening tests in school has continued satisfactorily, in that one age group is screened in each school annually; now that this is a well-established routine, children are often brought to the attention of the tester, or referred to the Centre by the Head Teacher, if suspected of hearing difficulty.

This year is the first where one group (1956 age group) has been tested in all three school stages, 79 of these children were found to have hearing losses, but more particularly 24 of these were found to have marked losses of hearing for speech. A significant number of these children have gone through their school career so far with hearing losses of comparatively mild degree, but significant enough to give some learning difficulties in the noisier and reverberant conditions of the classroom. The trend noticed in earlier years of a lessening of conductive hearing loss as children grow older, continued in this age group.

The Partially Hearing Unit at Lowerhouses Voluntary School has been functioning for a year, showing good progress with the children. Reliable and skilled help is given increasingly by the School Dental Department who make well fitting earmoulds, some specially designed where there is difficulty of retention in non-rigid ears. This is a valuable and essential service, which enables a child to take full advantage of a hearing aid. For some children commercial hearing aids are provided particularly in high frequency hearing loss. The Speech Therapist works closely with the Teachers of the Deaf in giving individually help to children with marked speech difficulties.

The results of the completed hearing tests, together with other statistical information, is appended.

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT	INFANT	JUNIOR	SECONDARY
Year of Birth	1963	1959	1956
Children tested in school ...	1,793	1,803	1,685
Children failing screening test ... ..	331	205	136
Children re-tested ... ..	298	182	120
Children found with hearing loss ... ..	172	96	79
	(9.50%)	(5.32%)	(4.09%)
Monaural hearing loss ... ..	85	56	41
Binaural hearing loss ... ..	83	40	33
High Frequency hearing loss	3	0	5
Speech discrimination loss ...	49	22	24
	(2.73%)	(1.22%)	(1.36%)
Number of children referred for hearing tests by all agencies, which include those failing Hearing Screening Tests in school, School Medical Officers, Educational Guidance Service and Head Teachers ...			1,118
Number of appointments given for testing and parent guidance ... ..			1,216

## PARTIALLY HEARING CHILDREN

Number of children with Hearing Aids in ordinary school	12
Number of children attending the Partially Hearing Unit at Lowerhouses C.E. Primary School   ...   ...   ...   ...	14

## SPEECH THERAPY

Number of children on waiting list at 1st January, 1969	29
Number of children referred from 1st January, 1969, to 31st December, 1969   ...   ...   ...   ...   ...   ...   ...	183
Cases under treatment   ...   ...   ...   ...   ...   ...   ...	133
Cases under observation   ...   ...   ...   ...   ...   ...   ...	158
Cases discharged   ...   ...   ...   ...   ...   ...   ...	143
Cases on waiting list 31st December, 1969   ...   ...   ...	15
Number of appointments for Speech Therapy   ...   ...   ...	4,194
Total number of appointments made   ...   ...   ...   ...	3,613

Attendance 83.92%

Number of children attending Special Speech Unit at Lowerhouses C.E. Primary School   ...   ...   ...   ...	5
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T. R. Francis.

Organiser for Audiology and Speech Therapy







